

VARIATIONAL HENSTOCK INTEGRABILITY OF
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Abstract. We study the integrability of Banach space valued strongly measurable functions defined on $[0, 1]$. In the case of functions f given by $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \chi_{E_n}$, where x_n are points of a Banach space and the sets E_n are Lebesgue measurable and pairwise disjoint subsets of $[0, 1]$, there are well known characterizations for Bochner and Pettis integrability of f . The function f is Bochner integrable if and only if the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ is absolutely convergent. Unconditional convergence of the series is equivalent to Pettis integrability of f . In this paper we give some conditions for variational Henstock integrability of a certain class of such functions.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper we study the variational Henstock integrability of strongly measurable functions. It is well known (cf. [5], Lemma 5.1) that each strongly measurable Banach valued function, defined on a measurable space, can be written as $f = g + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \chi_{E_n}$, where g is a bounded strongly measurable function, x_n are vectors of the given Banach space and E_n are measurable and pairwise disjoint sets. As each bounded strongly measurable function is Bochner integrable, it is enough to study

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integrability only for functions of the form $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \chi_{E_n}$. In the case of Bochner and Pettis integrals, a necessary and sufficient condition for integrability of a function given by $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \chi_{E_n}$ is, respectively, the absolute and the unconditional convergence of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ (see Theorem A). In the case of Kurzweil-Henstock or variational Henstock integrals, in general the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ is only conditionally convergent. So the conditions for integrability depend on the order of the terms $x_n |E_n|$. In [1], [3] and [4] conditions for the Kurzweil-Henstock integrability of functions of the form $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \chi_{E_n}$ are given. Here we go a bit further in this investigation. We give another characterization of the Kurzweil-Henstock integrability (see Theorem 3.1). The main results are Proposition 4.1 and Theorem 4.1. In the latter, a necessary and sufficient condition for the variational Henstock integrability of a special type of such functions is given. It needs a particular order of the sets E_n .

2. BASIC FACTS

Let $[0, 1]$ be the unit interval of the real line equipped with the usual topology and Lebesgue measure. If a set $E \subset [0, 1]$ is Lebesgue measurable, then $|E|$ denotes its Lebesgue measure. \mathcal{I} denotes the family of all closed subintervals of $[0, 1]$.

A *partition* in $[0, 1]$ is a finite collection of pairs $\mathcal{P} = \{(I_1, t_1), \dots, (I_p, t_p)\}$, where I_1, \dots, I_p are nonoverlapping subintervals of $[0, 1]$ and $t_i \in I_i$, $i = 1, \dots, p$. If $\bigcup_{i=1}^p I_i = [0, 1]$, we say that \mathcal{P} is a *partition* of $[0, 1]$. A *gauge* on $E \subset [0, 1]$ is a positive function on E . For a given gauge δ , we say that a partition $\{(I_1, t_1), \dots, (I_p, t_p)\}$ is *δ -fine* if $I_i \subset (t_i - \delta(t_i), t_i + \delta(t_i))$, $i = 1, \dots, p$.

Throughout this paper, X is a Banach space with dual X^* . We recall the following definitions:

Definition 2.1. A function $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is said to be *Kurzweil-Henstock integrable* (or simply *KH-integrable*) on $[0, 1]$ if there exists $w \in X$ with the following property:

For every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a gauge δ on $[0, 1]$ such that

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^p f(t_i) |I_i| - w \right\| < \varepsilon,$$

for each δ -fine partition $\{(I_1, t_1), \dots, (I_p, t_p)\}$ of $[0, 1]$. We set $(\text{KH}) \int_0^1 f := w$.

Definition 2.2. A function $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ is said to be *variationally Henstock integrable* (briefly *vH-integrable*) on $[0, 1]$, if there exists an additive function $F: \mathcal{I} \rightarrow X$, satisfying the following condition:

Given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a gauge δ such that if $\mathcal{P} = \{(I_i, t_i): i = 1, \dots, p\}$ is a δ -fine partition in $[0, 1]$, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^p \|f(t_i)|I_i| - F(I_i)\| < \varepsilon.$$

It is obvious that each vH-integrable function is KH-integrable. It is also well known that in the case of real-valued functions the variational Henstock and the Kurzweil-Henstock integrals are equivalent.

We recall the following classical result for the Bochner and Pettis integrals:

Theorem A ([2], page 55). *Let $f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \chi_{E_n}$, where $x_n \in X$ and the sets E_n are Lebesgue measurable and pairwise disjoint subsets of $[0, 1]$. Then*

- (1) *f is Pettis integrable if and only if the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ is unconditionally convergent;*
- (2) *f is Bochner integrable if and only if the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ is absolutely convergent.*

In both cases $\int_E f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap E|$, for every measurable set E .

3. KURZWEIL-HENSTOCK INTEGRABILITY

In [1], Theorem 1, a necessary condition for the Kurzweil-Henstock integrability of the function $f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \chi_{E_n}$ is given. Here we prove that the condition is also sufficient.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ be defined by $f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \chi_{E_n}$, where $x_n \in X$ and the sets E_n are Lebesgue measurable and pairwise disjoint. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (A) *f is Kurzweil-Henstock integrable with*

$$(KH) \int_I f(t) dt = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I|,$$

for every interval $I \in \mathcal{I}$;

(B) for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist a gauge δ and $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that given a δ -fine partition $\{(I_1, t_1), \dots, (I_p, t_p)\}$ of $[0, 1]$ and given $s > r > k_0$ we have

$$\left\| \sum_{k=r}^s x_k \left| \bigcup_{t_j \in E_k} I_j \right| \right\| < \varepsilon.$$

Proof. (B) \Rightarrow (A) was proved in [1].

(A) \Rightarrow (B) We assume that f is Kurzweil-Henstock integrable with

$$(KH) \int_0^1 f(t) dt = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|.$$

According to [3], Theorem 2, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a gauge δ on $[0, 1]$ such that if $\mathcal{P} := \{(i_1, t_1), \dots, (I_p, t_p)\}$ is a δ -fine partition of $[0, 1]$, then there exists $n_{\mathcal{P}} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\left\| \sum_{n=1}^n x_k \left(\left| \bigcup_{t_i \in E_k} I_i \right| - |E_k| \right) \right\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad \text{for all } n > n_{\mathcal{P}}.$$

Since the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ is convergent, there is $n_1 > n_{\mathcal{P}}$ such that if $s > r > n_1$, then

$$\left\| \sum_{i=r}^s x_i |E_i| \right\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

Hence, if $s > r > n_1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{k=r}^s x_k \left| \bigcup_{t_j \in E_k} I_j \right| \right\| &\leq \left\| \sum_{k=1}^s x_k \left| \bigcup_{t_j \in E_k} I_j \right| - \sum_{k=1}^s x_k |E_k| \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} x_k \left| \bigcup_{t_j \in E_k} I_j \right| - \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} x_k |E_k| \right\| + \left\| \sum_{i=r}^s x_i |E_i| \right\| < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

□

4. VARIATIONAL HENSTOCK INTEGRABILITY

The aim of this section is to formulate conditions for the variational Henstock integrability of a certain class of strongly measurable functions.

Proposition 4.1. Let $\{a_n\}$ be a decreasing sequence converging to zero such that $a_1 = 1$. Let $\{x_n\} \subset X$ be arbitrary and define $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ by $f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \chi_{E_n}$, where each $E_n \subseteq [a_{n+1}, a_n]$ is Lebesgue measurable. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ is convergent;
- (ii) f is vH-integrable;
- (iii) f is KH-integrable.

In each case

$$(4.1) \quad (\text{vH}) \quad \int_I f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I| \quad \text{for every } I \in \mathcal{I}$$

and the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I|$ is uniformly convergent on \mathcal{I} .

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Assume that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ is convergent. Notice then that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I|$ is convergent for every $I \in \mathcal{I}$. Let $F(I) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I|$. Now we show that f is vH-integrable. Without loss of generality we may assume that $f(0) = 0$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ is convergent, there is $K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for $s \geq n \geq K$,

$$\left\| \sum_{k=n}^s x_k |E_k| \right\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}.$$

Moreover, for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $\delta_n: [a_{n+1}, a_n] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a gauge such that if $\mathcal{P} = \{(I_i, t_i), i = 1, \dots, p\}$ is a δ_n -fine partition of $[a_{n+1}, a_n]$, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^p \|f(t_i) |I_i| - F(I_i)\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2^{n+1}}.$$

We may assume that $\delta_{n+1}(a_{n+1}) = \delta_n(a_{n+1})$.

Define $\delta(t)$ on $[0, 1]$ as follows:

$$\delta(t) = \begin{cases} \delta_n(t) & \text{if } t \in (a_{n+1}, a_n), \\ \min\{\delta_n(a_n), \delta_{n-1}(a_n)\} & \text{if } t = a_n, \\ a_K & \text{if } t = 0. \end{cases}$$

Let us consider now a δ -fine partition $\mathcal{P} = \{(I_i, t_i), i = 1, \dots, p\}$ of $[0, 1]$ and the corresponding sum

$$\sum_{i=1}^p \|f(t_i)|I_i| - F(I_i)\|.$$

If $q \geq K$ is the largest integer such that $I_1 \subset [0, a_q]$, then

$$\begin{aligned} (4.2) \quad \|f(t_1)|I_1| - F(I_1)\| &= \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I_1| \right\| \\ &= \left\| \sum_{k=q}^{\infty} x_k |E_k \cap I_1| \right\| = \left\| x_q |E_q \cap I_1| + \sum_{k=q+1}^{\infty} x_k |E_k| \right\| \\ &\leq \|x_q\| |E_q \cap I_1| + \left\| \sum_{k=q+1}^{\infty} x_k |E_k| \right\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^p \|f(t_i)|I_i| - F(I_i)\| &= \|f(t_1)|I_1| - F(I_1)\| \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t_i \in (a_{n+1}, a_n]} \|f(t_i)|I_i \cap [a_{n+1}, a_n]| - F(I_i \cap [a_{n+1}, a_n])\| \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\varepsilon}{2^{n+1}} = \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

which proves the vH-integrability of f and equality (4.1) for $I = [0, 1]$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) If f is KH-integrable, its primitive $F(t) = (\text{vH}) \int_0^t f$ is continuous on $[0, 1]$. Let $F(I)$ be the additive interval function associated to $F(t)$. We have

$$F([0, 1]) = \sum_{k=1}^n F([a_{k+1}, a_k]) + F([0, a_{n+1}]) = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k |E_k| + F([0, a_{n+1}]).$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, the convergence of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n|$ follows.

In the same way, setting $F_I(t) := (\text{vH}) \int_{\alpha}^t f$ if $t \in I = [\alpha, \beta]$, we obtain (4.1).

Now we are going to prove that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I|$ is uniformly convergent on \mathcal{I} .

Since F is uniformly continuous, there is $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if $I \subset [0, a_{n_0}]$, then

$$(4.3) \quad \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I| \right\| = \|F(I)\| \leq \varepsilon.$$

Now, if $I \in \mathcal{I}$ and $m > n_0$, then applying (4.1) and (4.3), we have the following inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\| F(I) - \sum_{n=1}^m x_n |E_n \cap I| \right\| \\
& \leq \left\| F(I \cap [0, a_m]) - \sum_{n=1}^m x_n |E_n \cap I \cap [0, a_m]| \right\| \\
& \quad + \left\| F(I \cap [a_m, 1]) - \sum_{n=1}^m x_n |E_n \cap I \cap [a_m, 1]| \right\| \\
& \leq \left\| F(I \cap [0, a_m]) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I \cap [0, a_m]| \right\| \\
& \quad + \left\| \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I \cap [0, a_m]| \right\| \\
& \quad + \left\| F(I \cap [a_m, 1]) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I \cap [a_m, 1]| \right\| \\
& \quad + \left\| \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I \cap [a_m, 1]| \right\| \\
& \stackrel{(4.1)}{=} \left\| \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I \cap [0, a_m]| \right\| + \left\| \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I \cap [a_m, 1]| \right\| \\
& = \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n |E_n \cap I \cap [0, a_m]| \right\| \stackrel{(4.3)}{\leq} \varepsilon \quad \text{for every } I \in \mathcal{I}.
\end{aligned}$$

The last equality follows from the fact that $E_n \cap [a_m, 1] = \emptyset$ if $n > m$. □

Reordering the sets E_n in a suitable way, we obtain the following more general result:

Theorem 4.1. *Let $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ be decreasing sequences converging to zero such that $a_1 = 1$ and $a_{n+1} \leq b_n \leq a_n$, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $\{x_n\} \subset X$ be arbitrary and define $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ by $f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k \chi_{E_k}$, where $\{E_k: k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a sequence of pairwise disjoint Lebesgue measurable sets of positive measure with the following properties:*

- (j) $\lim_k \text{diam}(E_k) = 0$;
- (jj) *for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the set $\{E_k: E_k \subset [a_{n+1}, a_n]\}$ is split into two disjoint collections (one of them may be empty):*

$$\{E_{2n-1, p_i}: \forall i \in \mathbb{N} \sup E_{2n-1, p_{i+1}} \leq \inf E_{2n-1, p_i}\} \subset [a_{n+1}, b_n]$$

and

$$\{E_{2n,q_i} : \forall i \in \mathbb{N} \inf E_{2n,q_{i+1}} \geq \sup E_{2n,q_i}\} \subset [b_n, a_n];$$

(jjj) for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lim_i d_H(\{a_{n+1}\}, E_{2n-1,p_i}) = 0 = \lim_i d_H(\{a_n\}, E_{2n,q_i})$, where $d_H(\cdot, \cdot)$ is the Hausdorff distance between two sets.

Let $c_{2n-1,i}(I) := x_n |E_{2n-1,p_i} \cap I|$ and $c_{2n,i}(I) := x_n |E_{2n,q_{i+1}} \cap I|$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We order the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k |E_k \cap I|$ in the following way:

$$(4.4) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I).$$

Then, the following conditions are equivalent:

- (a) the series (4.4) is uniformly convergent on the family \mathcal{I} ;
- (b) f is vH-integrable;
- (c) f is KH-integrable.

In each case

$$(4.5) \quad (\text{vH}) \int_I f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I) \quad \text{for every } I \in \mathcal{I}.$$

Proof. Without loss of generality, we may assume that if for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$ one has $\{E_{n,p_i} : i \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ for all } i \in \mathbb{N}\} = \emptyset$, then $a_{n+1} = b_n$, and if $\{E_{n,q_i} : i \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ for all } i \in \mathbb{N}\} = \emptyset$, then $a_n = b_n$. We may assume also that each interval $[a_{n+1}, a_n]$ contains infinitely many sets E_k and $f(0) = 0$.

(a) \Rightarrow (b) It follows from Proposition 4.1 that if for every $I \in \mathcal{I}$ the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I)$ is convergent, then f is vH-integrable on every interval $[a_{n+1}, b_n]$ and $[b_n, a_n]$. Consequently, f is vH-integrable on $[a_{n+1}, a_n]$ and

$$(\text{vH}) \int_{a_{n+1}}^{a_n} f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}([a_{n+1}, a_n]).$$

Now let $F(I) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I)$ for every $I \in \mathcal{I}$ and let $\varepsilon > 0$. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists a gauge $\delta_n : [a_{n+1}, a_n] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ with the property that for each δ_n -partition $\{(J_1, s_1), \dots, (J_p, s_p)\}$ of $[a_{n+1}, a_n]$ one has

$$\sum_{j=1}^p \left\| f(s_j) |J_j| - (\text{vH}) \int_{J_j} f \right\| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2^{n+2}}.$$

Taking $\min\{\delta_{n+1}(a_{n+1}), \delta_n(a_{n+1})\}$, one may assume that $\delta_{n+1}(a_{n+1}) = \delta_n(a_{n+1})$.

Let $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that $k \geq k_0$ yields

$$\left\| \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I) \right\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \quad \text{for every } I \in \mathcal{I}.$$

Then, let $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that all sets E_j built into some $c_{i,n+1-i}(I)$ with $n \leq k_0$ are contained in $(a_{n_0}, 1]$.

Define $\delta(t)$ on $[0, 1]$ as follows:

$$\delta(t) = \begin{cases} \delta_n(t) & \text{if } t \in [a_{n+1}, a_n], \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \\ a_{n_0} & \text{if } t = 0. \end{cases}$$

Let $\mathcal{P} = \{(I_i, t_i), i = 1, \dots, p\}$ be a δ -fine partition of $[0, 1]$ and let us consider the sum

$$\sum_{i=1}^p \|f(t_i)|I_i| - F(I_i)\|.$$

Without loss of generality, one may assume that the right end point of I_1 is equal to a point a_m with $m > n_0$.

It follows that

$$\sum_{j=2}^p \left\| f(s_j)|J_j| - (\text{vH}) \int_{J_j} f \right\| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| f(0)|J_1| - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(J_1) \right\| \\ = \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(J_1) \right\| = \left\| \sum_{k=k_0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(J_1) \right\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \end{aligned}$$

and so f is vH-integrable.

(c) \Rightarrow (a) Assume the KH-integrability of f and let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that $I \subset [0, a_{n_0}]$ yields $\|F(I)\| < \varepsilon/2$. In virtue of Proposition 4.1, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(J)$ is uniformly convergent to $F(J)$ on the family $\mathcal{I} \cap [a_{n_0}, 1]$. Let $k_0 > n_0$ be such that if $m > k_0$, then $E_m \cap (a_{n_0}, 1] = \emptyset$ and

$$\left\| F(J \cap [a_{n_0}, 1]) - \sum_{n=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(J \cap [a_{n_0}, 1]) \right\| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \text{for every } J \in \mathcal{I}.$$

If $I \in \mathcal{I}$ is fixed and $m > k_0$, then

$$\left\| \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I \cap [0, a_{n_0}]) \right\| = \|F(I \cap [0, a_{n_0}])\| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

and so, taking into account (4.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| F(I \cap [0, a_{n_0}]) - \sum_{n=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I \cap [0, a_{n_0}]) \right\| \\ & \leq \left\| F(I \cap [0, a_{n_0}]) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I \cap [0, a_{n_0}]) \right\| \\ & \quad + \left\| \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I \cap [0, a_{n_0}]) \right\| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

As a result, if $m > k_0$, then

$$\left\| F(I) - \sum_{n=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i,n+1-i}(I) \right\| \leq \varepsilon \quad \text{for every } I \in \mathcal{I},$$

which proves the uniform convergence of the series (4.5) on \mathcal{I} . \square

Remark 4.1. In the same way as Theorem 4.1 was deduced from Proposition 4.1, one can obtain subsequent generalizations of Theorem 4.1.

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